

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING A PAPER FOR THE PMC2004 CD-ROM

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### Abstract

This document describes the format instructions for papers for the 9th ASCE Specialty Conference on Probabilistic Mechanics and Structural Reliability (PMC2004). The papers will be published on a CD-ROM that will be distributed at the Conference. It is our goal to be relatively flexible in the format, yet maintain a reasonable degree of consistency between papers in the finished product. This document is formatted in the desired manner and is available on the Conference web site ([www.esc.sandia.gov/pmc04.html](http://www.esc.sandia.gov/pmc04.html)) in PDF format, in Word 97/98 format, and in FrameMaker 5.5 format. Your final submission, however, should be in PDF format and submitted through the electronic submission form provided in your Abstract Acceptance Confirmation Email.

### Introduction

The papers for the *9th ASCE Specialty Conference on Probabilistic Mechanics and Structural Reliability* (PMC2004) to be held at the Sheraton Old Town Hotel in Albuquerque, New Mexico, July 26-28, 2004, will be published on a CD-ROM that will be distributed at the Conference. This document describes, and is formatted in, the desired format for the PMC2004 papers. All papers, as well as a one-page final abstract, must be submitted electronically in PDF format by May 17, 2004.

### Format Requirements

The “Full Paper Formats and Templates” section of the PMC2004 web site ([www.esc.sandia.gov/pmc04.html](http://www.esc.sandia.gov/pmc04.html)) will have template files for the paper and final abstract for some popular word processing. If your preferred word processor and/or platform is not on the web site, please follow the general instructions as given below; if you create a template, please send us an e-mail and we can post the template on the web site for the benefit of other authors.

#### *General Format Requirements*

The general format requirements are as follows:

1. *Paper Length:* 4–6 pages (USLetter or A4 size paper)
2. *Margins:* 1 inch top and bottom; 1.25 inches on sides
3. *Header:* On the first page, please put the title of the conference in 10 pt italic Times (left justified) in 10 pt Times Roman on the right.